

THE WEEKLY FAIR PLAY.

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For Congress	\$10.00
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School Books and Stationery for sale at the Drug Store.

The Catholic School house is progressing very rapidly, and will soon be ready for school purposes.

Johnny Kern is suffering from a felon on his right hand. We presume it is not a pleasant fellow to keep company and sit up with.

In our announcement column we found the name of John D. Foyee, an independent Democratic candidate for sheriff and collector of Ste. Genevieve County.

We intended to give a report of the proceedings of the Louisville Democratic Convention this week, but our time and space would not permit.

We are glad to see our Ste. Mary friends enjoying themselves so highly over their railroad prospects. It would be heavy on them if it should happen to "flicker" out.

We believe that Smith, of the FAIR PLAY, is trying to get up the nextest paper in this district. He is making some bold strokes in that direction.—*Commerce Dispatch*.

Our young friend Frank Bruce, of Fredericktown, was here last week on visit to his relatives and friends. He has grown so much we scarcely knew him. He returned home on Tuesday last.

Several of our townsmen left on the Dexter for St. Louis on Sunday last, and others also went up on the City of Vicksburg on Monday morning. Among them we noticed Gen. Fierman A. Rozier, A. Anderson, and Mr. Hock.

We would take it as a special favor if parties would inform us of all deaths, marriages, &c., giving names and dates. We desire to give all news of this character, but are unable as we find it difficult to obtain the particulars.

The City of Chester has charged head clerks recently, and the present clerk, Mr. J. W. Bassett, we are informed by Mr. Harris, is a perfect gentleman, and judging from his appearance and the conversation we had with him, we should say that Mr. Harris is not mistaken.

We met our young friend Ernest Webber Esq. formerly of Farmington, but now a resident of St. Louis, on the Memphis Packet Co's wharf boat, in St. Louis on Monday. He is now doing business with McLaren, Williams & Co., of that City. We find him to be an intelligent and promising young man.

A young man by the name of David Ratcliff stole a \$300 horse recently, and was overtaken and brought back. He professes earnest repentance, and says that when he serves his time out in the penitentiary, he intends to return to the scene of his first delinquency, and redeem his character. We suppose by this that he intenes to return and steal another horse and "redeem his character" for sharpness in getting away.

Judge Robbin's Speech.

According to announcement, on Saturday night last Judge Robbins addressed a large audience. He was not well, and spoke with difficulty. He raked some folks pretty heavy, but done it in a mild way. At the close of his remarks, Mr. Robt. G. Madison announced to the audience that he would address them shortly. Else." Mr. Lamb, says he will send the to St. Louis, and it will find its way to Chicago, from where it can easily find its way.—*Vassar's Pioneer*.

RUNAWAYS.

Communicated.

"Freak of a Spring."

MR. ELBROOK: In the FAIR PLAY of August 26th, I see an account of a "Freak of a Spring"—Mr. Isaac Smith's, which, since a recent period, ceases to flow during the day, but commences again when night comes. Though not a scientific man, I offer, to those of your readers not already conversant with the theory of intermitting springs, the following in explanation of the seemingly strange phenomena:

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A most curious publick is being tried from Alton, Ill. The defendant was an ordinary school teacher, and the great object of accusation for St. Louis carried off. It was taken from a large equatorial telescope and by skillful hands. The glass, over which the observatory is sadly sorrowing, was one of rare power, having few superiors in this, or any other country.

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